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 Hideaki OKAMURA, et al. : Confirmation Number: 4226  
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 Application No.: 10/720,197 : Group Art Unit: 2814  
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 Filed: November 25, 2003 : Examiner: Dilinh Nguyen  
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For: METHOD FOR FABRICATING SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

Mail Stop Amendment  
 Commissioner for Patents  
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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 11, 2006, having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on April 11, 2006, reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following amendment and remarks.